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FM AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

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INFO AMEMBASSY SAIGON

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AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 2190

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MOPS, CASC, LA, VN

SUBJECT: US POWS CAPTURED IN LAOS

1. ROYAL AIR LAO OPERATIONS MANAGER DICK BERNARD WAS CALLED BY DRV EMBASSY FIRST SECRETARY NGUYEN VAN THANH THIS MORNING AND TOLD THAT DRV EMBASSY IN VIENTIANE HAD RECEIVED CLEARANCE FROM HANOI FOR RAL CHARTER DESIRED BY CBS NEWSCASTER WALTER CRONKITE. LATTER HAS BEEN SEEKING DRV PERMISSION TO FILM POW RELEASE IN HANOI ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 25. HOWEVER, THANH TOLD BERNARD HE DOUBTED CBS WOULD BE INTERESTED IN COMING TO HANOI AT THIS TIME BECAUSE " POW RELEASE WAS BEING HELD UP." THANH ADDED THAT DATE OF RELEASE " WOULD BE DETERMINED BY AMERICANS, SINCE US IS LINKING RELEASE OF POWS CAPTURED IN LAOS TO US TROOP WITHDRAWAL FROM VIETNAM."

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